WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A performance management method for monitoring states of programs and system resources and managing performance of a computer system, the performance management method comprising the steps of:

referring to business information representing programs and system resources used in computers, and generating and managing correlation information representing correlations among them; and

generating monitoring structure information in accordance with the generated correlation information, the monitoring structure information representing a structure for monitoring the programs and system resources.

- 2. The performance management method according to claim 1, wherein the monitoring structure information is generated so as to be different from user to user in accordance with a policy set by a user.
- 3. The performance management method according to claim 2, wherein contents of a menu for setting the policy are altered from user to user.
- 4. The performance management method according to claim 3, wherein a part or whole of the policy is set by using preset contents.
- 5. The performance management method according to claim 4, wherein the correlation information is generated by a business information integration DB subjected to mirroring of business information using a

storage technique including a SAN (Storage Area Network).

- 6. The performance management method according to claim 5, wherein an alteration in the business information is detected and the monitoring structure information is updated.
- 7. The performance management method according to claim 6, wherein the monitoring structure information is updated on the basis of a difference between before and after the alteration in the business information.
- 8. The performance management method according to claim 7, wherein the correlation information is generated by referring to only business information containing information of necessary programs or system resources, on the basis of the policy.
- 9. A performance management system for monitoring states of programs and system resources and managing performance of a computer system, the performance management system comprising:
- a relation management unit for referring to business information representing programs and system resources used in computers, and generating and managing correlation information representing correlations among them; and
- a monitoring structure generation unit for generating monitoring structure information in accordance with the generated correlation information,

the monitoring structure information representing a structure for monitoring the programs and system resources.

10. A program for making computers function as a performance management system, which monitors states of programs and system resources and manages performance of a computer system, the program for making computers function as:

a relation management unit for referring to business information representing programs and system resources used in computers, and generating and managing correlation information representing correlations among them; and

a monitoring structure generation unit for generating monitoring structure information in accordance with the generated correlation information, the monitoring structure information representing a structure for monitoring the programs and system resources.